

EATS GRASS LIKE A LAMB.

A Wonderful Story Told by an Old
Timer About a Former Resident
of Helena.

Use of Liquor Forces Him to Sub-
mit to an Operation to
Save His Life.

The Transmogrification that Took Place
After the Use of the Surgeon's
Knife.

"I have no desire to enter the lists against my friend, X. Biedler," remarked an old timer last night. "But I know a story I will tell you which X. would not object to claiming as his own. One of the first prospectors to strike Last Chance gulch was a Scotchman named James McGee. Jamie was a big husky fellow with the constitution of a mule. He was a hard worker and a hard drinker. It was impossible to get him off his base. He would drink all night and do a bigger day's work the next day than any man in camp. He had a claim which panned out well, and being industrious managed to make a pile in several years. He threw away his pick and shovel and left the prospecting pan rust away."

"But with Jamie's good fortune came an increased desire for drink. Not having manual labor to perform the poison taken into his system was not slowly eliminated, and his once strong frame began to show the ravages of insidious toxicants. Still he was able to drink any man under the table. He never ate breakfast without at least a dozen straight whiskies to settle any squeamishness he might feel about the stomach. He never drank any water with his drinks and the barkeeper he always patronized told him that Jamie would average two gallons of whisky a day. This went on for some time until good whisky would have no effect upon him. No matter how much he drank he couldn't get on edge, and he stopped drinking. That is he stopped drinking good whisky and began patronizing a dive where the most villainous compound was sold as bourbon. It had the desired effect. After drinking a couple of quarts of the stuff as an eye-opener Jamie would brighten up and be as pleasant and agreeable as he was morose and surly before he took his bitters."

The rejuvenating effects of the coffin varnish with which Jamie had been spreading over his interior began to fail, and the saloon-keeper was in despair. He saw that his best was losing its gripping qualities on his best customer. He could not afford to lose him, and after a long study, evolved from his inward consciousness a receipt by which he hoped to and did retain the custom of Jamie. He secured a big chunk of quicklime, a bottle of aqua fortis and a couple of plugs of navy tobacco, and taking out the head of a barrel of whisky, he emptied the compound into the liquor to give it age, strength and endurance."

"The next morning Jamie came around for his maternal nip, and was helped to a glass drawn from the barrel containing the vintage of 1812. It went to his head, Jamie was in ecstasies and had the barrel marked for his private use, but before he had finished it he grew sick and wan and feeble, and had to call in a physician, who diagnosed the case as the one he had seen in a healthy man that his stomach was gone, and that he had but a few days in which to put his affairs in shape. He also intimated that his whisky must have been poisoned with some corrosive poison. This information was borne to the ears of Jamie's friends, who, knowing that he purchased his bitters at but one place, concluded to interview the saloon-keeper and see what they could get out of him. He was interviewed, and by a powerful pressure which was brought to bear upon him he confessed to what he had done. The crime of the chronic acid was sealed the men. It was true Jamie's life didn't amount to much, as he had been committing slow suicide for years, but the heinousness of the offense consisted in having spoiled ordinarily for liquor. Such a reckless and unjustifiable crime could only meet with the punishment it deserved—death—and the fellow was hanged to the old pine tree up the gulch and his stock of goods given to the poor. With the assistance of another physician the young doctor removed Jamie's stomach and cut out the inflamed portions. The lamb's stomach was tied in and the patient returned in bed. The operation was successful and Jamie began to mend right away. He was fed on ewe's milk until the stomach was nicely knitted together, and in two months Jamie was walking around as lively and as vigorous as he ever was. He had no taste for liquor, and could not be induced to take a drink."

"But the most curious part of the story is yet to come. It was in the fall of the year when Jamie was made a new man. In the spring he was missed from town for several days and a search was instituted for him. He was found down the gulch, nearly five miles, lying down by a spring asleep. When awakened he sprang to his feet and ran off about 100 yards, then suddenly dropped upon all fours and commenced browsing upon the grass. The searching party were all friends of his and knowing what had been done were not much surprised. Well, a watch was set over Jamie, and after he was herded for a week he came to his senses and came back to town. No one ever mentioned this infirmity to Jamie for he didn't know it himself. He remained in Helena four or five years afterwards and every spring would feel old. Subsequently, however, he was working in him and go off and flock by himself for a two weeks' graze, come to himself, come back to town and behave himself. Finally some fool friend told him of the metamorphosis that had taken place in his nature and he became disgusted with the country and left. He is now in Europe somewhere. About two years ago I was in Switzerland and met him. He was accompanied by an old Scotch shepherd and a collie dog. It was in the spring of the year and I realized that Jamie had turned himself out to graze. He was in his right mind, however, and asked me about many of the old timers in Montana. He conversed freely about his affliction and told me he had succeeded in keeping it a secret in the old country. No one knew of it but his old servant, who was a circumpect and trustworthy man who knew how to keep his tongue. Blessed with good health, an independent fortune and no cares, Jamie McGee, now beyond the meridian of life will probably live to a ripe old age, and some day when he has finished browsing in green pastures, watched by his faithful shepherd, will lie down and be gathered into the fold above with the other lambs."

"I forgot to tell you that he is a strict vegetarian."

Meat for the Tories.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The Tories are making the most of the recent scandal from Chicago, and about the "fixing" of a jury for the Cronin trial.

SETTLED BY CHAPMAN.

The Question of the Appointment of Railway Clerks Decided Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—In compliance with a request of the president, Solicitor-General Chapman has rendered an opinion upon the question submitted by the civil service commissioners. In April J. M. Taylor was appointed in the regular way a railway postal clerk. Taylor, however, did not take the oath of office until May, 1889. The time when the rule to include the railway mail service should go into effect having been extended from March 15 to May 1, the question came up whether Taylor should not have been subject to a civil service examination. The solicitor general finds the fact that Taylor did not take the oath of office until after May 1 is immaterial upon the question of his right to hold the office to which he was appointed in April. It is understood a large number of appointments were made to the railway mail service, just prior to May 1, and in a large percentage of these cases, the appointees were, owing to the absence of the time, unable to take the necessary oath, which fact, it has been contended, rendered their appointment void. The opinion was approved by the attorney-general.

Foresters in Congress.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.—At yesterday's session of the American Forestry congress the committee reported favorably a resolution calling upon the government to establish a Forestry commission for the preservation of forests. Edgar T. Ensign, commissioner of Colorado, read a paper on government forest reserves in the west. In the closing session of the American Forestry congress to-day S. G. Northrup read an essay on "Arbor Day" in the schools, in which he showed the vernal holiday is now being celebrated very generally. He said the children are planting millions of trees, California taking the lead. A resolution was adopted asking congress to withhold public lands from sale until the timber is old enough to cut. Hon. Jas. A. Beaver of Pennsylvania was elected president, and the meeting then adjourned.

No One Was Killed.

DENVER, Oct. 19.—Referring to the Lincoln, Neb., dispatches of the accident near Sterling, Col., in which were several fatally injured passengers, Agent Semple, of the Union Pacific, says the report that any were killed is absolutely without foundation. On Sunday the engine of a west bound express ran over a couple of cows near Sterling; the engine was thrown from the track and the engineer slightly hurt, but not badly. He was able to return to work on Tuesday, and not a single passenger or train man, except the engineer was hurt. The report probably grew out of this.

Board of Foreign Missions.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—The American board of commissioners for foreign missions finished their business this forenoon and adjourned. The report on the condition of mission work in China said it was a very large field for work there. Educational work was most wanted. Holcomb, former missionary to China and the present secretary of the board, made an address on the subject and urged the enlargement of the educational work.

Protecting Emerson's Remains.

CONCORD, N. H., Oct. 19.—The coffin containing the remains of Ralph Waldo Emerson, whose grave was disturbed Saturday, has been placed in a securely bound box, which in turn has been deposited in a grave composed of blocks of granite, cemented together and securely fastened with a granite covering. It is the generally accepted theory that the act was committed to create a sensation.

France is Preparing.

PARIS, Oct. 19.—The Sixth corps, which France proposes to double on account of the increase of the German garrisons in Alsace-Lorraine, is now centered at Nancy. The eastern railway facilities will be doubled and also those running from Lille, Lyons and Besancon to the German frontier.

Another English Investment.

AUSTIN, TEX., Oct. 18.—The Capital Freehold Land and Investment company, of England, has filed a charter with the secretary of state. Its operations embrace 3,000,000 acres of Capital syndicate lands in the Pan-Handle. The capital is \$15,000,000.

Luxury on Wheels.

The people at home always appreciate the best in the land, and of course they do when they go to Chicago, New York and other large cities in the east and south, it is therefore no wonder that the tide of Montana travel to Chicago and the east is now largely over the popular Chicago, St. Paul and Kansas City railway. Make no mistake but ask for an excursion ticket, your tickets read "Chicago and the East," absorbing the dining cars and Mann boudoir sleeping cars and the new Pullman cars are marvels of luxury and comfort. No other line between St. Paul and Chicago or Kansas City runs them.

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People Who Fret.

"Care killed the cat," is a well known old saw. The force of it is in the fact that fret and worry will kill even an animal which is popularly said to have nine lives. Fretting and worrying may not kill you, but they will shorten your days, and what happens is there in a life all creaked with care? But how avoid worry? Well, Americans travel more than any other people on the globe, and probably discomforts and delays in traveling cause us greater annoyance than all other sources of fretting combined. The great Burlington system

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